

IN THE CLAIMS

Please amend claim 1 to read as follows. A marked-up version of the claim is attached hereto.

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1. (amended) Process for producing a sheet bearing a hologram, comprising the steps of, in order:

embossing a support foil on one side by means of an embossing tool having holographic structures,

providing a sheet on the one side of the embossed support foil so that corresponding holographic structures are imparted to said sheet, and

removing the support foil,

whereby at least one hologram based on said corresponding holographic structures is produced on the sheet.

REMARKS

This is in response to the official action dated September 25, 2001. Reconsideration in view of the following is respectfully requested.

Claims 1-4 and 8 stand rejected under 35 USC 102 , and claims 5-7 stand rejected under 35 USC 103, in view of U.S. Patent No. 5,549,774 to Miekka.

Applicants have amended claim 1 to add a step of 'removing the support foil'. This is clearly supported in the specification at page 5, lines 4-6; and lines 24-25. Accordingly, it can be seen that applicants' process is